DAILY STOCK MARKET REVIEW CURRENT NEWS AND GOSSIP

Material Advances Scored in Dull But Firm Trading-Professional Element Disposed to Cover Short Accounts—Bank Statement Disappointing.

NEW YORK, Feb. 14.-American | Notwithstanding the decline shown in stocks were materially depressed in the American stocks in London, the opera-London market today, but this matter tions here for foreign account were in London market today, but this matter was in a measure offset by the signing of the protocol of the Venezuelan negotiations and by the glowing accounts of the country's track set forth in the usual weekly reports of the mercantile of the representations and the set of the response of the representations and the set of ual weekly reports of the mercantile of the rather pronounced pressure which sible characterized yesterday's market. The bank statement made a disap-

The stock market was dull, but very firm, and in a number of instances ma- pointing showing, and was quite out of terial advances were scored. Conspic- line with the preliminary estimates, uous features of the dealings were Amal- whereas the latter had indicated a gain gamated Copper, American Smelting, in actual cash of upward of \$2,000,000. Rubber Goods, St. Paul, the Wabash is- The actual figures showed an increase sues, Erie and Southern Railway com- of only \$16,000.

upon any of these stocks or upon the \$12,130,000, and in consequence surplus market at large, but on account of the reserves decreased \$3,016,000. The banks absence of any explanation of yester- still hold \$15,529,000 in excess of the lawday's pronounced weakness, the profes- ful requirements. sional element of the floor were dis- It was the common opinion that the posed to cover short contracts. It was position of the banks was actually much expected also that the bank statement stronger than indicated in the statewould make a fairly good showing, and ment, although bank officers confessed these views led to some buying of themselves puzzled to account for the very large increase in the loan account.

CTIVE STOCKS ON 'C	CHAI	NGE.	WASHINGTON STOCK MARKET.		
(Special to The Washington				Bid.	Asked
Following were the stock	quota	tions	GOVERNMENT BOND	S.	*****
the New York stock excha	nge t	oday:	U. S. 2s, R. 1930	107 %	108%
	Low.		U. S. 2s, C. 1930 U. S. 3s, R. 1908	107	108
mal. Copper	69	701/6	U. S. 3s, R. 1898. U. S. 3s, C. 1908. U. S. 4s, R. 1907. U. S. 4s, C. 1907. U. S. 4s, C. 1907. U. S. 4s, C. 1925. U. S. 5s, R. 1904. U. S. 5s, C. 1904.	107	108
m. Loco	40%		U. S. 48, R. 1907	109%	110%
m. Loco. pf 951/8	95	951/8	U. S. 48, C. 1907	109%	110%
m. Smelt	501/	511/2	U. S. 48, C. 1925	135 14-	1353/2
m. Smelt. pf 99%	9874	99%	U. S. 5s, R. 1904	102%	103 %
m. Sugar	13014	13014	U. S. 5s, C. 1904	102%	103 %
naconda 11414	10914	111	U. C. 0.000, 1004	121	****
tehison 891/2	875%	881/8	RAILROAD BONDS.		
tchison pf	100%	883%	Capital Traction R. R. 4's	108%	108%
alt. & Ohio 10234	995%	1001/8	Met. R. R. 5's, 1925	119%	109
alt. & Ohio pf 96%	941/4	941/4	Met. R. R. Cert. indebtedness B.	105%	107
rook, Rap. Tr 701/2	683%	691/4	Columbia R. R. 6's 1914	121	125
an. Pac	136%	138	Columbia R. R. 2d mort. 5's	107%	***
hes. & Ohio 531/2			City & Suburban 5's	97	****
hi. & Alton 36%	351/2		Wash. Street Railway 4's	80%	80%
hi. Gt. West 28 % hi. & St. Paul 180 %	27%	27%	MISCELLANEOUS BONI	08.	
of Fuel & T	75	1781/2	Wash. Gas Co., ser A, 6's 1902-27.	109%	116
ol. Fuel & I	217	75% 217	Wash, Gas Co., ser B, 6's 1904-27. U. S. Elec. Light, Deb. 1mp. 1902	10934	
el. & Hund	180	180	U. S. Elec. Light, Deb. imp. 1902	106 W	107%
	41	411/2	U. S. Elec. Light, Cert. Indebt	105%	105 %
& R. G. pf 901/6	891/	891/	Ches. & Pot. Tel., Com. o's American Security and Trust	215 %	220
rie 41%	3876	39 %	Wash. Market Co., 1st 6's, 1892-		
rie	701/4	71	1911, Q. J	1110.75	77.64
rie 2d pf 641/8	59%	61	\$7,000 retired annually Masonic Hall Ass'n 5's, C, 1908	104	
en. Elec 204	193%	20236	American Graphophone Deb. 5's.	95	***
ock. Val	1023/	104	SAFE DEPOSIT AND TRUST		
l. Cent	1451/2	146			145
wa Cent 45%	44	451/4	National Safe Deposit and Trust Washington Loan and Trust	215%	218
ouis. & Nash127%	1251/2	126%	Washington Safe Deposit Union Trust and Storage	45	2000
anhattan1441/4	1441/4	144%	Union Trust and Storage	109	110
et. St. Ry	136%	138	Wash. Savings Bank		107
ex. Cent	20%	20%	RAILROAD STOCKS	1001/	100.07
. K. & T. pf 631/2	6114	693/	Capital Traction	44	129%
o. Pac11578	1121/	11456	Wash, Street Rv. com	10	12%
at Lead 2876	98	9914	NATIONAL BANK STO	CES.	
at. Lead	14914	149%	Bank of Washington	400	450
or, & West.,	7436	75	Metropolitan Central Farmers and Mechanics'	715	800
orth Am Co 11784	714	114	Central	309	Contract.
nt. & West 3478	335%	337/8	Second	1//0	****
acific Mail 41	395%	39%	Citizens'	190	****
a. R. R	150	1501/4	Columbia	195	****
eople's Gas108%	1061/2	1065%	Capital	170	749
ep. Steel 22	21	21	West End	143	145
ep. Steel pf 79%	791/2		West End. Traders' Lincoln.	122 %	128
	623/4	633/8	Riggs	722 16	765
ock Island 511/2	481/2	49%	RiggsINSURANCE STOCKS		
ock Island pf 83 L. & S. F 82	82	8134	Firemen	27	****
L. & S. F. 2d pf 731/2	801/2	80 %	Franklin		55
Pac	73 637/4	731/4	Metropolitan	73	50
0. Ry 36½	25.3/	64%		62	67
o. Ry. pf 96	95%	96	Arlington	33	35
enn. C. & I 65%	6314	6254	German American	280	305
ex. Pac	4114	421/4	National Union Columbia	71	9
ex. Pac	10114	102	Riggs	836	12
nion Pac. pf 951/4	9434	9534	People's	634	7
S. Leather 151/4	131/2	14%	Commercial	5	****
S. Leather pf 96	911/8	94%	Colonial	97	106
S. Steel	381/4	38%	TITLE INSURANCE STO		
. S. Steel pf 89%	88	88	Real Estate Title	91	***
a. Car. Chem 391/4	36	381/4	Columbia Title	236	3
abash	31	31	TELEPHONE AND GRAPHOPHOS	VP STY	OCK
abash pf 5314	49%	511/4	Chesapeake and Potomac	46	49
est. Un. Tel 901/2	89%	90	American Graphophone	4 %	514
& L. E 291/2	261/2	261/2	American Graphophone, pfd	8%	9%
& L. E. pf 61%	60	61%	GAS STOCKS.	20011	
. & L. E. 2d pf 381/2	37%	371/2	Washington Gas	80.4	80%
is. Cent 291/4	281/4	281/4	Georgetown Gas	75	80%
Total sales of stocks, 139.	54	541/4	Mergenthaler Linotype	17936	179%
id the bonds, \$1,058,000.	ou si	iares,	Lanston Monotype	9	10
the bonds, \$1,000,000.	-		MISCELLANEOUS STOC	KA.	
ANEDHOTCY PROCEEDING	VCC		Greene Copper	22%	2234
ANKRUPTCY PROCEEDIN	CUF		Washington Market	1036	23

NKRUPTCY PROCEEDINGS Washington Market 16% Norfolk & Washington 210 J. Maury Dove Co. 110 A petition, addressed to the District

States District Court, is presented by Thirty-third and M streets northwest the Greenmount Iron and Manufacturing Company of Baltimore, and Liston G. -Marion Morton et al. to Wilson B. Tschiffely, part lot 40, square 1186, \$10. Schooley and Edward T. Fenwick, of Thirty-third and M streets northwest this city, asking that Leonard C. Bailey, -Wilson B. Tschiffely to James O. and of Washington, be declared a bankrupt. Bailey entered into a contract, accord-James H. Caton, part lot 40, square ing to the petition, with the Greenmount Twenty-third Street northwest, be-Company by which the company was to tween I and K streets-Kate W. Cummanufacture 5,000 oil burners for a price of \$1.80 per burner, of which 1.666 burners were completed and 666 delivered to Bailey. The amount due to the Green-

Supreme Court, sitting as a United

mount Company on this contract, they allege, is \$6,000. The claim of Liston G. Schooley is based upon a promissory note for \$900 payable to Edward T. Fenwick, indorsed to Schooley which, when presented for payment, was, they assert, dishonored.

and F streets—John H. Cook to Mary J. Cook, lots 29 and 30, square 892, \$10.

L Street northwest, between Twelfth and Thirteenth streets—Harry Friedlander et ux. to Patrick Shugrue, part lots 1 and 18, square 283, \$10.

Q Street northwest, between Thirteenth and Fourteenth streets—Ella V. Temple to Jane E. Bradt, lot 75, square 240, \$10. The petitioners further represent that Bailey attempted to prefer certain credi-

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

and other transportation companies and large wholesale mercantile houses. When a merchant found himself in a tangle it was once the custom for him to go to his lawyer for advice. The results were a written "opinion" and a fee. The business man today obtains a lawyer who shall work for him alone. Again the field of the general practical and the field of the general pr

AFFECTING SECURITIES

The market opened exceptionally quiet. Colorado Southern, for the first week There was scarcely any today. The in February, shows increased earnings sluggishness continued until the bank of \$827; from July 1 the increase is statement was announced, when stocks \$388,000.

Many brokers who operate for their

What little news was heard was wholly favorable to the market.

The speculative temper shows a little increase in confidence, and the market was very firm in tone. In Government bonds, the new 2s were down ½ per cent.

non.

In the loan account an increase of the there are ending depressed in all departments on account of dearer and tighter money conditions, and the market for American stocks ruling dull and slug-

> valled was influenced to some extent by the signing of the Venezuelan protocols. Improvements, however, were, as a rule. limited to fractions.

The bank statements showed a eserve decrease, \$3,016,000; Ioans increase, \$11.-274,800; specie increase, \$3,788,600; deposits increase, \$12,130,000; circulation decrease, \$438,800.

The bank statements showed a eserve are without number, and some of these strange as it may appear, are taken seriously.

There has been no official announce-

The increase in loans was about equaled by the increase in deposits. The decrease in reserves had a negative offect on the market.

McIntyre & Laidlaw were buyers of St. Paul. The two or three early morning transactions in St. Paul were at an advance of % per cent.

The quotations for Rock Island, Ches apeake and Ohio, Louisville and Nash-ville, and New York Central showed fractional declines.

There was a tip out to buy Canadian Pacific and Union Pacific. Canadian Pacific showed fractional declines. Union Pacific was firm, and one quotation was made in the preferred stock at an advance of ½.

Early trading in Erie was % and ½ bove yesterday's closing. The dealings, however, were lacking in spirit,

Reading developed a little activity in later dealings, at a net gain of 14 per

The stockholders of the Chicago Great Western will hold their annual meeting 12% next Wednesday, but thus far there has next Wednesday, but thus far there has been no intimation that anything of special importance will come before them. Considering that the prospective transfer of control of the road is regarded as a certainty, and the added fact that Vice President Oppenheim has, as he puts it himself, control of the property in his waistcoat pocket, there is a manifest interest as to possible s a manifest interest as to possible. though unexpected, developments.

The only theory now going the rounds is the one that the road may go to the Chicago and Northwestern and St. Paul jointly. Needless to say, this is not accepted literally.

Reports of earnings for the first week in February show gratifying increased improvement in net earnings.

THE COURT RECORD.

In re Joseph Drukker; rule on George C. Henning, president, returnable Feb-ruary 20; granted. In re Albert Good-man; payment of referee's and trustee's fees ordered. In re Washington B. Wil-liams; adjudication and reference to E. S. McCalmont ordered.

Equity Court No. 1-Justice Hagner-McNamara vs. McNamara; decree annulling marriage.

Equity Court No. 2-Justice Gould-Bolton vs. Bolton; divorce a vin. mat. granted. Marsh vs. Marsh; do. In re ished the world have been posible only by coquitable Building, Loan and Investment Association of Baltimore, apthe great financial and banking institutions, pointment of receivers, injunction granted, etc. Cosmos Club vs. Billings; Charles L. Frailey appointed trustse to release. Stevenson & Co. vs. Hengst; exception to auditor's report sustained.

tate of George Haas; petition for letters of administration filed. Estate of James of administration filed. Estate of James
T. Pritchard; order to surrender stock.
In re. Mary E. Davison; account passed.
In re. John L. Baker; do. In re. Willard
A. Holbrook, jr., et al.; do. Estate of
Helene E. Staples; rule to show cause
discharged. Estate of George M. Jones;
Of course they should not, but under the old
system of each man acting alone they cannot discharged. Estate of George M. Jones; order removing administratrix and appointing E. H. Thomas and Alexander Wolf administrators; bond, \$2,000. Estate of Fred Meyers; caveat dismissed. Estate of Rufus T. Cheyney; inventory filed. Estate of William W. Whitmore; proof of publication. Estate of Eliza R. Goddard; will admitted to probate and letters testamentary errorted to Edward. Q Street northwest, between Thirteenth and Fourteenth streets—Ella V. Temple to Jane E. Bradt, lot 75, square 240, \$10.

G Street northeast, between Third and Fourth streets—Walter W. Daniels, jr., lot 32, square 778, \$10.

Quare 778, \$10.

Estate of William B. Brown; order authorizing administrator to assign bonds. ONE-CLIENT LAWYERS.

The poverty of briefless barristers is as proverbial as that of the church mouse. It would not be an unnatural mistake to consider a barrister with only one client hardly better off than one with none. But the modern "one-client lawyer" is usually a prosperous individual. Said a man well known in the business world some years ago to a friend: "I want a young lawyer to put down at a desk beside mine. I'll familiarize him with my affairs and then I want him to keep me out of trouble."
The counterpart of this lawyer, whose duty it is to act as his own client's ounce of prevention, may be found in the office of many large concerns.

He is often connected with trust companies, banks, banking houses, railroad and other transportation companies and large wholesale mercantile houses. When a merchant found himself in a tangle it was once the custom for him to go to his lawyer for advise."

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Bellevue—G. Percy McGlue et ux. to William S. Richardson; lot 91; \$10.

Wildow's Mite and Kalorama Heights—Julia Mann et vir, Parker, to Elizabeth B. Kalbfus et vir, Samuel T., of lift Thirty-fourth Street, near M. this morning, and broke a leg. He was removed to Georgetown University Hospital.

LOAN COMPANY.

Addition to Kenilworth—Estella P, Addition to Company and broke a testate of Mellen. Estate of William B. Estate of William B. Estate of William B. Estate of Wille

Union Pacific proper for the fourth week in January shows increased earn-ings of \$33,000; from July 1 the increase is \$400,000. Baltimore and Ohio January net earn

gs are \$83,000; from July 1 the increase

United States Steel preferred showed fractional declines in the trading.

It is scarcely possible to enumerate the various rumors concerning the conversion plan of the United States Steel Corporapian of the United States Steel Corpora-tion which have found a ready circula-tion since the decision in the Hodge suit was handed down, and it is abso-lutely impossible to classify them according to their relative degree of ac

For an extremely dull market there was an unusual number of issues dealt in at the stock exchange in the morning. The generally better tone that prevalled was influenced to some extent by tired, but the additional \$50,000,000 of bonds will not be issued, and finally that all the preferred stock of the corporation will be retired. The variations of these

There has been no official announce ment on the subject, but so far as can be learned from officers of the corpora-tion, the conversion plan as originally announced will be put into effect. That is, \$250,000,000 of 5 per cent bonds will be issued, of which \$200,000,000 will be The Gould Southwestern issues showed a tendency to improve. Sales of Nickel Plate first preferred were made at 113½ to capitalize that amount spent for commitments entered into either immediate-mitments entered into either immediatemitments entered into either immediately before or after the formation of the corporation, and \$25,000,000 will be spent for improvements. There may be slight modifications of this plan, but it is assumed by those who ought to know that the plan in its general scope will be put into effect in its original form.

> Those interested in the United States Steel Corporation are looking for developments of some kind on three special points, and these are the Crucible Steel Company, the Jones & Laughlin Company, and the acquisition of further ore lands. It is believed that the asquisition of both the Crucible Company and the Jones & Laughlin is only a matter of time, while the corporation plans to conin that respect,

> A very strong tip to buy Amalgamated Copper and American Sme handed out by one authority. Smelters was

By far the greater activity was in malgamated Copper, which advanced 1/4 to 1/2 per cent.

In the industrial group, some of the fluctuations were of decided importance. Influenced by a belief in improvement in the silver market, American Smelting continued in demand at an advance of 4 per cent. General Electric continued to be actively dealt in in anticipation of the extensions of benefits to stockholders. The price gained 3½ per cent. Sloss Sheffield opened up a point. Sugar was neglected. neglected.

Liverpool advices showed just about the response anticipated to equal domestic net advance in cotton yesterday. While it is likely the market may be carried along up to 10 cents before the present buil fever culminates, conditions are those of a fortnight ago.

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enormous financial operations that have aston using the money of their depositors, but keeping the profits for themselves. Untold mill ere made by the companies that financed the United States Steel Corporation. These com-panies used the money of thousands of persons, Probate Court—Justice Barnard—Es- paying them but a meager 2 per cent to 4 per ate of George Haas; petition for letters cent a year, and retained for their stockholders the enormous profits of the transaction. The the profits. Was that fair? Should bank de-positors supply the money used in these big financial transactions and not receive their share of the profits?

Of course they should not, but under the old system of each man acting alone they cannot help themselves. The solution of this problem is co-operative investment the combination of

help themselves. The solution of this problem is co-operative investment, the combination of small capitalists to provide a large block of capital for operations on a large scale, thus gaining fog themselves the enormous profits of such large transactions.

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